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## **ABSTRACT**

As apparatus for responding silently to incoming calls in a communication system. Such an apparatus provides the capability to respond to incoming calls in the communication system which could be, for example, a telephone system, for those cases necessitating minimal disruptions such as wherein the telephone user receiving the call is in a meeting or other group situation. With the system disclosed herein, the telephone user can respond to the caller immediately with pre-recorded responses. Special responses can be pre-recorder for special situations or special callers.